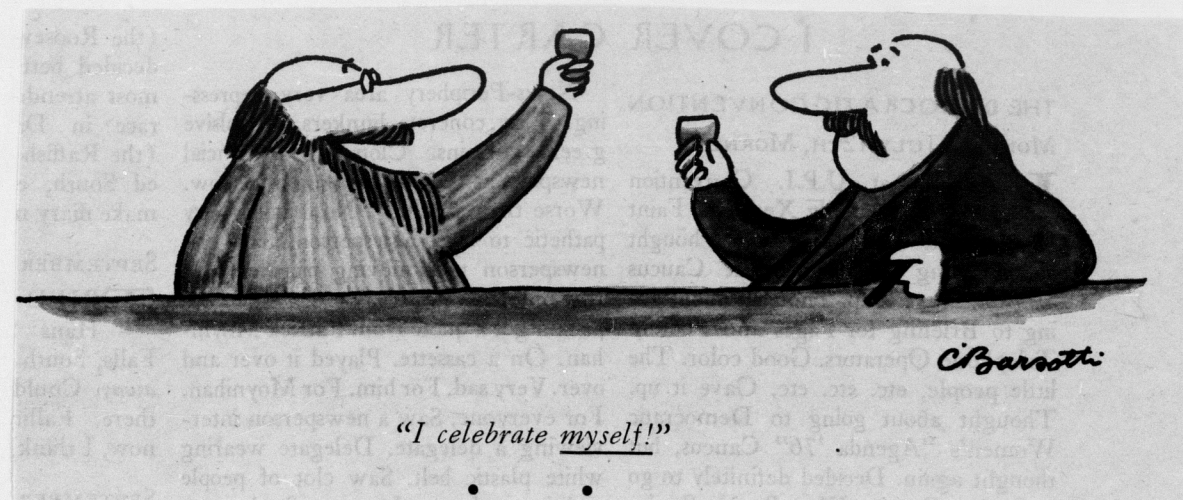


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This wonderful cartoon seems very appropriate for the first day of summer. The moon appears to be full, or very near to it. No day has been very gratifying -- I have been working since before 8 AM and it is now after mid-night. This morning I went to the office and typed my story on last night's City Council meeting and

proofed -- and made corrections to -- one or two other articles that I wrote for this week's issue of the paper. This week's paper will not contain what I consider to be my major historical article, which is not to say that my presence will not be felt in this issue. I like the article I wrote on "153 years ago today" very much, as I do the City Council article. The bicycle article and the Jablonowski article (unsigned) are journalistic best work. Nothing could be easier -- and less gratifying. Part II of the E. E. Hendrick article will appear in the issue published on the 29th, in all probability. The paper was sent to the printer at about 11:30 AM. We all relaxed for about 10 minutes and then started over. I asked Phil if I could use the headlines to produce a membership certificate for the Historical Society. He consented. I had a grand time producing the membership certificate / wallet ID card for 1982-1983. I produced all the bits and pieces and brought them back here and pasted them down. I added a border and an elaborate cartouche for the member's name and that was that. I then did the reverse of the certificate (current officers and Board of Directors). Before designing the membership certificate, I took the 24 marigolds that I picked up at Russell's on Sunday and set forth and supplemented the flower boxes that needed more flowers: a marigold here and a marigold there. I was having a wonderful time looking after the boxes and was getting very positive feedback from many people: Chief Dottle, John Moran, several people whom I didn't recognize, Mr. Kamen, Ruth Emmons, among others. The flower boxes are really beginning to get a head of themselves. The ones at the front of the Park and the ones in front of City Hall are quite beautiful. I returned here from the flower box outing (about 1 hour) and designed the membership certificate. Drank tea. Listened to Wagner. At about 5 P.M., JVB Knocked